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Association meets every **FRIDAY EVENING**, at 8  
o'clock, in their rooms, University Building, Cote St.

# UNIVERSITY MEDICAL STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION,

ESTABLISHED OCTOBER 25, 1845;  
REORGANISED NOVEMBER 17, 1855.

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## CONSTITUTION.

Be it made, enacted, and ordained, by the authority and sanction of the University Medical Students' Association, that the following Rules and Regulations be, and are hereby made and ordained to be the Rules and Regulations of the Association, and that the hereinafter to be mentioned Rules and Regulations are in no-wise to be altered or repealed, without the knowledge and special permission of the said Association.

### CHAPTER I.

#### *Of the Association.*

SEC. 1. This Association is established for the purpose of promoting the advancement of its members in Medical science, and of encouraging that harmony and friendship which should exist among them.

SEC. 2. This Association shall be known as the University Medical Students' Association.

SEC. 3. This Association shall consist exclusively of Matriculated Students and Graduates of McGill College.

### CHAPTER II.

#### *Of the Officers.*

SEC. 1. The Officers shall consist of a Patron, President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and two Scrutineers.

SEC. 2. The election of Officers shall hereafter take place by ballot at the first meeting of the said Association, in the month of November of each and every ensuing year.



## CHAPTER III.

*Of the Election of Members.*

SEC. 1. All candidates for membership shall be proposed by a full member at a regular meeting, and shall be ballotted for at the same meeting, and, if elected, admitted the next.

SEC. 2. If one vote in three be unfavorable to the candidate, he shall not be admitted.

SEC. 3. A rejected candidate may be again proposed and ballotted for, not sooner than two months after his rejection.

SEC. 4. Every candidate after election, and before he can be recognised as a full member of the Association, shall subscribe to the Declaration of keeping and observing each and every Rule of the Association.

## CHAPTER IV.

*Of the duties of Officers.*

SEC. 1. It shall be the duty of the Patron at any time taking the chair, to perform all the duties of the presiding officer.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the President to open all meetings of the Association, to take the sense of the meeting on all motions regularly brought forward, and to announce the decision of the Society upon them. In the event of the votes being equally divided, the President shall have the privilege of giving the casting vote.

SEC. 3. In the event of a division upon any subject, or in case of any misunderstanding among the members, respecting matters involving the interests of, or in the least relating to, the Society, an appeal to the President shall in every case be considered as conclusive.

SEC. 4. The President shall also have the privilege of calling extraordinary meetings, through the Secretary, without being obliged to consult with the Committee of Management; and he shall be obliged so to do when requested in writing to that effect, by at least seven members of the Association.

SEC. 5. He shall enforce compliance with each and every Rule of the Association, and shall have the power

of reprimanding any member for his misconduct, refusal, or neglect to comply with any of the Rules of the said Association.

*Of the Vice-President.*

SEC. 6. In absence of the President, the Vice-President shall take the chair, and assume all the honors, privileges, and duties of the President.

*Of the Treasurer.*

SEC. 7. The Treasurer shall receive all monies accruing and belonging to the Association, and shall only pay such demands as the Committee of Management shall, by the signature of the President, certify. He shall, at the Annual Meeting, make out and lay before the Society a detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures during his term of office, at the expiration of which period he shall hand over to the Treasurer for the ensuing year, the books and all monies belonging to the Association. It shall also be his duty to notify members from time to time of the sums respectively due by them to the Assoc.

*Of the Secretary.*

SEC. 8. As soon as the chair is taken, the Secretary shall call the roll, and note absentees. On the admission of new members he shall see that each signs the Declaration. He shall transcribe into the records of the Association all the minutes of the transactions of each and every meeting, and shall read them aloud at the conclusion of the preliminary business of the following meeting. He shall give due notice of the time of holding meetings.

All communications relating to the Association shall be made through him, and he shall keep all books (except the Treasurer's) and papers, and shall hand them over to his successor in office at the expiration of his term.

*Of the Assistant Secretary.*

SEC. 9. He shall assist the Secretary in the execution of his duty, when called upon so to do, and in his absence shall fill his place.

*Of the Scrutineers.*

SEC. 10. It shall be the Duty of the Scrutineers to prepare and take exclusive charge of the ballot box, receive all ballots, and lay before the President in writing the result of every election.

*Of the Committee of Management.*

SEC. 11. This Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Association mentioned in Chapter II., Section 1, of whom four shall constitute a quorum. It shall meet at such times as may be necessary, and transact all the ordinary business of the Association; shall examine all accounts, and present to the Treasurer for payment all those which shall have been duly approved of and signed by the President. This Committee shall also audit the Treasurer's accounts, and report upon the same at the Annual Meetings, and shall, at the same time, lay before the Association a statement of the prospects and position of the said Association.

CHAPTER V.

*Of Members and their Duties.*

SEC. 1. Every ordinary member on election shall comply with the regulations of the Association in every way, must sign the Declaration before he can be recognised as a full member, and shall, in every manner in his power, advance the interests of the Association. He shall, at all times, when speaking, stand, and address himself exclusively to the President, and when done he shall resume his seat.

Any member guilty of ungentlemanly conduct, or non-compliance with the rules of the Association, subjects himself to a reprimand from the President, of which a minute shall be entered on the records of the Association; and any member so reprimanded three times, shall be fined 1s. 3d., and if the said fine be not paid on or before the next meeting, he shall be considered no longer a member, and so notified by the Secretary.

SEC. 2. A two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting, shall be sufficient to expel a member.



## BY-LAWS.

### CHAPTER I.

#### *Of Honorary Members.*

SEC. 1. Honorary members shall consist of graduates in McGill College, and others who may have distinguished themselves in science or literature.

SEC. 2. They shall have the same privileges as ordinary members, only they shall not be allowed to vote.

SEC. 3. They shall not be required to pay any entrance fee, nor shall they be subject to fines.

### CHAPTER II.

#### *Of the Fees, Fines, and Funds of the Association.*

SEC. 1. The annual entrance fee of the Association shall be 2s. 6d. currency, which must be paid before the candidate can be admitted a full member.

SEC. 2. The regular dues shall be 1s. 3d. per month, during the Winter Session, and any member more than one month in arrears, shall pay a fine of 7½d. per week till the same be paid.

SEC. 3. Any person admitted to the privileges of membership at any time after the Annual Meeting, shall pay the 2s. 6d. entrance fee, and 1s. 3d. for each month from the Annual Meeting till the time of his admission.

SEC. 4. The regular debts of the Association having been paid, the remaining funds shall be disposed of as a majority of the members present at any regular meeting shall decide.

### CHAPTER III.

#### *Of the Attendance of Members.*

SEC. 1. Members are required to be present at not less than every alternate meeting, and any member absenting himself twice in succession subjects himself to a fine of not less than 7½d., and the same for every successive absence.

## CHAPTER IV.

*Of the Essay or Lecture.*

SEC. 1. An Essay or Lecture on some Medical subject, or on some of the Sciences collateral with Medicine, shall be delivered at every regular meeting, by the members in rotation, (*seniores priores.*)

SEC. 2. Any member shall be allowed to decline giving an Essay or Lecture, on making known to the meeting a sufficient reason for so doing.

SEC. 3. The Essay shall be read at the desk, the reader facing the audience.

## CHAPTER V.

*Of Discussions.*

SEC. 1. There shall be at every regular meeting a debate held on some subject connected with Medical Science, agreed upon at the previous meeting by a majority of the members present. The leading disputants shall be appointed by the President at the previous meeting.

SEC. 2. Any member requested to act as leading disputant, may decline doing so on showing some sufficient reason.

SEC. 3. The leading disputants shall not be allowed to occupy the floor more than twenty minutes each, and the person who opens the debate will have the liberty of replying, not occupying more than ten minutes.

SEC. 4. Any ordinary member may take part in the debate, when the leading disputants have concluded.

SEC. 5. At the conclusion of the debate a vote shall be taken upon the question discussed, and the President shall make known the decision.

SEC. 6. No religious or political subject shall be introduced at any meeting, under a penalty of public reprimand for the first offence, (which shall be recorded in the minutes of the Association,) fined 1s. 3d. for the second, and expelled for the third.

## CHAPTER VI.

*Of Calling Meetings.*

SEC. 1. The President, or in his absence, the Vice-President, may call special meetings, according to Chapter IV., Section 2 of the Constitution, at any time, by giving three days previous notice.

## CHAPTER VII.

*Of the Meetings.*

SEC. 1. Meetings shall take place every Friday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the rooms of the Association.

*Order of Proceedings.*

SEC. 2.—1. The President shall take the Chair, and the Roll shall be called by the Secretary.

2. The Minutes of the previous meeting shall be read, and approved by the meeting.

3. The Essay shall be read.

4. Lecture by the Patron.

5. The Debate.

6. Proposing and electing candidates for membership.

7. Consideration of motions, of which due notice has been given at a former meeting.

8. Notices of motions for following meeting.

9. New Business.

10. Adjournment.

## CHAPTER VIII.

*Of Changing Laws.*

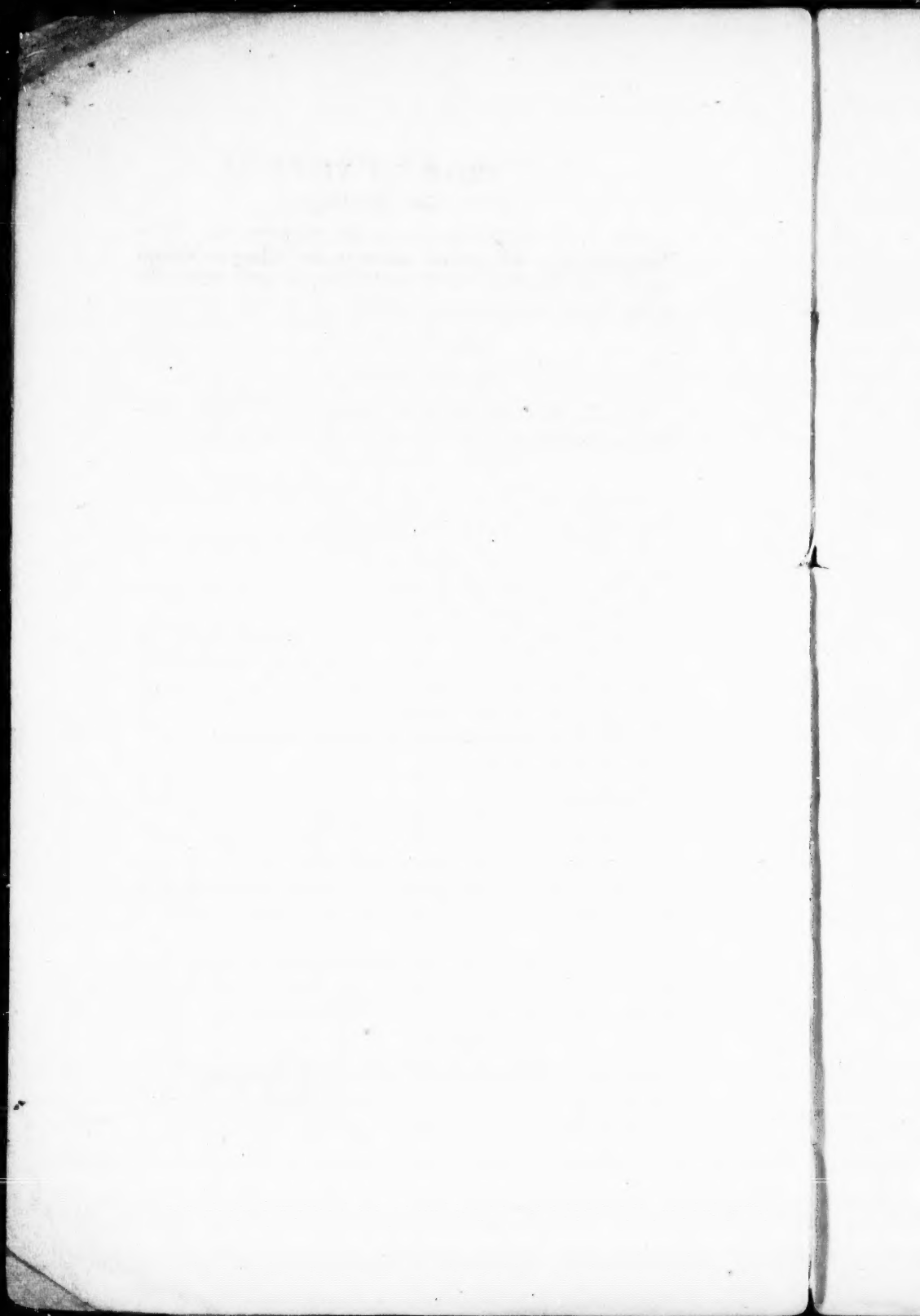
SEC. 1. Laws may be changed by a two-thirds vote of any meeting, provided at least one week's notice of such change be given.

SEC. 2. The above Constitution and By-laws were adopted at a regular meeting of the Association, held on Friday evening, November 21, 1856.

(Signed.)

FRANCIS W. CAMPBELL, M. S.

*Secretary U. M. S. A.*



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